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The Result of the Paris Conference.

Colonel E. M. House's carefully restrained public utterances on the interallied conference in Paris and the outcome of its deliberations justify the belief that the interchange begin to be apparent, although for the complete development of the plans adopted considerable time will be required. Already, however, the designs evolved are in process of fulfilment; a supreme naval council has been

the chairman.

Germany has possessed since her Gov- the Gate. erument brought on the war none has been more important than the unity serism cannot produce their full effect unless those who direct them are anicratic Powers for the most expeditions and economical attainment of victory the Paris conference has alon the battlefront and in the stupendous machinery of industry and trans-

It is a cheering report that Colonel House brings. He found the soldiers of some of the seances he has at-German made peace lies within the possibilities considered by the peoples with whose representatives be sat.

portation that serves behind the tines.

New International Policies.

lution upon the future policy of Rusda? In the past every chancellery of Europe knew what Russia would demand in the final adjustment of any great international dispute. Her policy, if generally aggressive, bore at least the mark of frankness and a decisiveness that came from long and undeviating pursuit of the same unchanging objective. It bent everything to the control of Constantinople and the opening of the Bosporus and the Dardanelles to free passage for her commerce, to use of the warm waters of the Persian Gulf and to dominance of power in the Far East.

In the pursuit of each and all of these goals the Russia of the past has fought battles in the field and the council chambers of diplomacy. Nobody questioned that the success of the Allies would bring to her the use of the Turkish straits, and the announcement in the second year of the war that the uilled council had awarded Constantinople to Russia was accepted as the acknowledgment of a reward that she might expect. One bar, since thought has become a of the first acts of the revolution owever, was to disclaim an intention of accepting the city or any other anexation of territory. The successors of this Government have announced purifying chastisement, in fact of in providing for the comfort of the men so far as they have any international

licy the same Intention. What then will become of Constantieither this city or the straits will remain in control of the Turk; the rebe unlocked to the uses of the commercial world. This naturally draws with it the question of the Christian races in Turkey. Russia in the past has posed as their champion, and among the Russian people a war in new life on the instant of its passing, by agencies supplying knitted gar-

en a holy crusade. Even if Russin had not been exacted to benefit by the acquisition of erritory in Asiatic Turkey, she was ed to aid in the establishment et an Armenian government and in

the Ottoman Empire. For yours Persia was a hone of con

Britain. Russia's demand for an outlet on the Persian Gulf was considered an attempt by Russia to menace Britain's Indian possessions. This situation was used by Germany and with the description set down by an-Austria to keep alive an Anglo-Russian strife, and it was more than once responsible for a serious strain mon relations between the Russian and British empires. The differences were settled three years before the no such detail as does McKenzie. The war by the division of Persia into latter describes a respectable looking Russian and British spheres of influ-suburban house in Spiritland in ence. This settlement, which has resuited in the most complete undertanding for years between these two and his wife, once a domestic servant Powers, was in a fair way of being The house is such as was their highcontinued unless Persia showed evi- est earthly desir. Mr. Barns lives "a dence of rehabilitation and ability year of Sundays," as was his earthly to govern herself.

and the United States, Japan as an oppopent to territorial aggrandizement the United States as a champion of the national integrity of China and spiritual, they pass into the second as an exponent of the "open door" in trade and commerce. The questions involved were at least temporarily answered by a Russo-Japanese agreement on July 3, 1916, which recognized our contentions.

All of these international agree ments or understandings, most of which were the results of Russia's undeviating policy for years, will, if the plans of the present Government are carried out, become null and void. The issues which they involve will be as important after the war as they were before. Their adjustment must necessarily be upon different lines. of opinions which took place at its They will present new opportunities meetings and the agreements reached for the carrying out of the allied policy therein among the representives of of justice and right to all nationalithe Powers will greatly strengthen the ties and at the same time new oppor-Allied cause. Their effect should soon | tunities for Germany's schemes of Imnerial expansion.

Coincidence in Recent Writings on Spiritualism.

The views of one of the most notable converts to spiritualism of this created and the difficult problems of generation, Sir ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE, war purchases and finances will be as expounded by him in the Metropolsimplified through the operations of itan Magazine, are interesting not the committee of which it was an- only by reason of the author's repunounced Oscar T. Crossy, Assistant tation for hardheadedness but be-Secretary of the Treasury, is to be cause he is more concrete than many of his fellow believers in the depic-Among the numerous advantages tion of that which lies just beyond

Sir Arritus was an investigator in spirits even before the birth of Sherof purpose that ruled all enterprises lock Holmes, but he approached the in which she and the Powers leagued subject as a cynic. He tells us that with her engaged. A similar unity he was interested, but not convinced, has been difficult to obtain among the by one of the books of "Judge En-Allies. Yet it has been recognized by MUNDS" of the "United States High all that the infinitely superior re- Court." This, of course, was JOHN sources of the Powers that fight Kai- WORTH EDMONDS, whose honorable career included a Circuit Judgeship and a seat in the Court of Appeals muted by a spirit of cooperation. To of this State and who, between 1853 produce cooperation and through it and his death in 1874, defended the to coordinate the acts of the demo- doctrines of spiritualism. Sir As-THUR probably read Judge EDMONDS'S "Spiritualism," which was published in New York in 1855, or his "Letters ready exerted a potent influence, the and Tracts on Spiritualism." pubreactions of which will be recorded lished in London in 1874. Whichever he read, it was about 1886, and since then he has spent much of his leisure time looking into spiritualism. admits disgust at the puerflity

of democracy assured of triumph, the | tended and a general impatience with populations that support them deter- the semi-scientific terminology that mined and faithful, and he is able to "chokes off the ordinary reader," hearten America with word that no Tricky mediums he has wiped off his records, although he excuses Eusapia PALLADINO, of Münsterberg exposure guilty of trickery only when her powers failed her. But we are more conserned with his general impressions

> of spirits and their habitation: "The spirit is not a glorified angel or a gobin damned, but it is simply the person himself, containing all his strength and weakness, his wisdom and folly, exactly as he has retained his

Persons who are fond of fine raiment will find comfort in learning that spirits do not go unclad:

of this world at its best. It is preeminently a life of the mind, as this is of They are looking forward with eager money, pain, &c., are of the body and and spiritual knowledge and progress have increased. The people are clothed, as one would expect, since there is no reason why modesty should disappear

The people of the spirit world live in communities and "the male spirit still finds his true mate." It is not made clear that nationalism disappears, but "language is no longer a medium of conversation." DOYLE finds no eternal damnation :

"Hell as a permanent place does not exten. But the idea of punishment, of tion and the efforts expended by them purgatory, is justified by the reports who have given their services to the from the other side. Such punishment country shall be the inspiration which does not consist of gross bodily painmople? It is impossible to believe that there is no pain beyond—but it consists ambition for success in the cause of in the fact that the grossest souls are in lower spheres with a knowledge that are now so unitedly striving. adjustment that must follow the war their own deeds have placed them there, makes it imperative that they shall but also with the hope that expiation and the help of those above them will educate them and bring them level with the others. In this saving process the higher spirits find part of their employment."

their behalf against the Turk has Sir Arruva believes. There is a ments to soldiers and sailors. It was

other Christian people oppressed by it is prepared for the higher phases Apparently," says Sir Astsus, "there is more communication between these ention between Russia and Great phases than there is between us and Spiritland. The lower cannot ascend. but the higher can descend at will."

Doyle's theory of the graduated

spheres coincides in many respects other English spiritualist, J. HEWAT McKensie, in his recently published "Spirit Intercourse; Its Theory and Practice." Happily concrete as Sir As-THUB's article may be, he has given us which dwell the spirits of Mr. Bares who on earth was a nolice constable wish, "occasionally chatting with In the Far East Russia met Japan his neighbor in his shirt sleeves." Strangely enough, the BATESES tire of this, and presently, having a genuine desire for something better, more sphere. Mr. McKENZIE does not describe this improved place, but adds that they may tire even of this and pass on higher. "It may even happen

that one will go before the other." Mr. McKenzie also introduces to us spirit named VERA, about thirty-two and handsome, who was in the middle astral plane with a number of other vain men and women who had lived for dress only. VERA and her fellow on new gowns and saving, "How do as the Bateses wearled of seven Sundays a week. Eventually:

"A man approached-one like herself in aims-who had spent all the mornsilk stockings. He adjusted his monocle and bowed to VERA, asking with a vacant smile, Well, ducky, how do I look? Poor VERA! Again it had come. This, she felt, was the last straw, and placing her face suddenly close to the questioner, she replied with great emphasis, 'Rutten!'

VERA threw away her fine clothes. vashed off her paint and powder and became a serious spirit, whereupon her sister ALICE, who was not frivolous, came and took her into the second sphere. Thus will be seen the agreement between Dovie and Mc-KENZIE as to the possibility of the upper spirits aiding the nether. But Mr. McKenzie evidently does not believe, with Sir ARTHUR, that thought is the medium of conversation in Spiritland. If it were, VERA would not have placed her face close to her questioner when she uttered her emphatic, but probably excusable, ejaculation.

Testimony for the Knitters From

Secretary D'ANIELS has given to the country his opinion that the knitted garments produced by patriotic women for the soldlers and sailors of the United States are not neede by those for whom they are designed. and that the principal argument in favor of continuing their production is to be found in the psychological effect such contributions have on hose who make them words he holds that the industrious knitters derive comfort from their employment and that this measures the worth of their efforts.

Mr. Daniels's ideas on this sub ject are not shared by men whose duties take them to the firing line. fame, by suggesting that she was The practical benefits conferred on the fighting men by the knitters are disclosed in the subjoined letter written by an officer of the Marines to Mrs. HERNERT L. SATTERLEE, chairman of the comforts committee of the Navy League:

"DEAR MADAM: Your shipment of 240 inckets, 240 mufflers and 240 wristlets was received at this post and the same distributed to the men early yesterday morning. They were therefore available for use during the storm of last night, and judging from the expressions of some of the men who were doing "The life has a close analogy to that guard duty through the cold night they were little short of a divine blessing. the body. Preoccupations of food ness to the receipt of the helmets and socks from the patriotic women who are gone. Music, the arts, intellectual have already done so much for their comfort.

"Permit me to convey to your organi zation, for myself and in behalf of my men, the sincerest thanks for your kind gifts. We are cognizant of the time and effort spent in the manufacture of the articles, and thankful indeed that we were favored by your patriotic organization with the woollen comforts.

"We shall all, impressed by these moments of national emergency, express through our conduct rather than our words the heartfelt gratitude that we so manifestly owe you. The patriotism and sacrifice of the women of our na democracy and liberty, for which we

"With sincere thanks again for your kindness, I am,

"Very gratefully yours,

This letter is not unique. It is munications that have been received period of sleep, sometimes hardly ex- not written by a man dissatisfied with isting at all, sometimes covering weeks his lot, soliciting sympathy. It came or months. In the case of RAYMOND from an officer whose sole desire is Longs it was six days. Once having to see his men well cared for and fit taken its place in Spiritland, the soul for any duty they may be called on enters one of the lower spheres or to perform, and who records without the alleviation of the condition of phases mentioned and remains until exaggeration the spontaneous and un-

affected rejoicing of those under him on the receipt of articles of clothing the Government does not supply, but which, pevertheless, the men need.

It will take no sane man or woman long to decide who is the more valu able witness on the subject, the Secre tary of the Navy or the commander of Marines. The Secretary is a the oretical expert, but the commander lives with the men; and the man who shares their hardships is the better qualified to describe their

Prison Made Goods for the Army and the Navy.

If it is true that the American Fedration of Labor has given its approval to Senator Home Smith's bill no difficulty in enacting that mean ure. The labor unions have been principally responsible for the stat utes and regulations that restrict the market for the products of penitentiaries and jails. Their demand that free and law abiding men should not be forced to compete with prisoners has called forth sympathetic response from men of all callings, and the leg islative enactments and executive regulations on this subject have accurately reflected public sentiment.

contract system would have the indorsement of the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor, to spirits spent all their time putting say nothing of the trade unionists The evils inseparable from that form I look?" VERA got tired of it, just of exploitation of helpless inmate. of punitive institutions are so well known that their reinstatement where they have been abolished is unthinkable. Under proper supervision there ing in his gilded cage laboring to find is no reason why convicts should not a tie of the proper tint to match his produce goods of certain classes acceptable to the Quartermaster's De partments of the two services, with positive benefit to themselves.

No project involving the utilization

of convict labor under the injustions

That the taxpayers would save much money through such operations le not apparent. It is asserted that 200,000 prisoners can be utilized on such work. We doubt it. Many of them will prove inept, physically or mentally incompetent, untractable The equipment of the prison work shops will be expensive; expert supervision will be necessary, and expert supervisors of labor come high nowadays. But it is possible that the productive capacity of the nation may be increased by resort to prison labor. and the immediate need of the United States now is for augmented produc tion, regardless of expense.

New Rochelle was recently assailed most bitterly because of the alleged misconduct of a few of her citizens Fortunately for the city, it has now ad an opportunity to show the real spirit of its population. The unpreceiented enlistments in the United States Army brought recruits to Fort Slocum in such numbers that thou sands of them could not be received by its commander. They were stranded under the most distressing circum stances, without food or shelter, and in numbers so great that the job of cousing and feeding them attained grave proportions. Thereupon New Rochelle rose to the emergency with unounded enthusiasm and made a holiidices have disappeared; everybody in the city has done his or her part to provide for them. In this general and pontaneous patriotic endeavor New Rochelle reveals its real character and ebukes those who would condemn her for the misdeeds of a few unrepresentative members of her population.

Yes, I am a German; I am unnatural-zed and pro-German. — A teacher of German in the New York public schools. It looks as if Mayor HTLAN's Board of Education would have something besides suspected disloyalty among teachers to occupy its attention.

Justice Cropser's denunciation of exclusive" Judges for whose benefit suffering people of Europe he public is excluded from elevators in court houses may furnish a great moral

Mr. Murson was asked what he would to if anarchy was discussed in his class and he replied by asking what would a cow do if the moon was made of green cheese and he were asked to jump over it.—From a report of an address read at De Witt Chinton High

What an unusual cow!

Luxemburg and its people, in the words of a citizen of the Grand Duchy resident in Switzerland, have beabused by the Germans and reduced to "are holding out and awaiting the day of liberation and settlement." Luxemburg was incapable of resisting the German advance, and the invaders enered its territory with fair promis on their lips, but Kultur continues nature, which treats probity as a jest and seeks to enthrone itself through

Avoid non-essentials .- Advice of Frank

The citizens who seek to follow thi advice-and all good citizens will-are sure to learn that many of the articles country shall be the inspiration which they have regarded as necessaries are shall fire us with greater energy and actually luxuries. There is nothing like doing without to teach us what we can do without.

Next summer the ice man will explain to his customers that the cold The only future the tolling held map in December made necessary the increased price of the commodity with

another Responsibility for the Landlord Bill Taylor, a shiftless renter, living in the Potato Hill neighborhood in Atchison county, lately fell out of bed. He announces that he will sue his landlord for damages. The neighbors can't see where the landlord is to blame, but Bill says his

awyer can figure it out. Arkanses Strategy. From the Pine Bing Commercial.

It looks like the old timers will have
to be satisfied with a samoulaged Christ-

GERMANY'S FORESIGHT. Only Our Wisdom and Self-Rostraint

Can Thwart Her Purpose. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The -a thrusting of humanity into despair The United States has been a great

force for good throughout the

formed after the pattern of our Gov- rapidly. ernment. Our country has been the model sought out to be copied by the downtrodden of all lands and races. We have been a world power of ideas and ideals, and we shall continue so to time into October, and straighten out affairs at home. But now that this has country is to be preserved for our chliben accomplished, major league ball for the use of prison made goods in the army and navy, there should be our faithful and patriotic fathers and that Ray Fisher, the dean of mothers who sacrificed themselves in order that the succeeding generations might enjoy peace and security. Andre Cheradame, the French writer,

shows in a recent issue of the Atlantic Monthly that Germany has economically suffered less than her opponents who are fighting for freedom and justice Germany has stripped the territory she temporarily occupies of everything of value and made abject and helpless slaves of the people. Germany is now profiting greatly by that slave labor, whereas the Allies pay a high price for their labor. It is a contest between slave labor and free labor, the issue of the civil war on a worldwide scale.

Germany-and that means Austria Turkey and the Balkan States-is keep ing up the railroads and automobile will be able to strike quickly at any threatened point.

Germany has a premeditated motive and programme of conquest, as is shown by the evidence of her spokesmen—her osition is not one of self-defence. Her plan by means of slave labor and the confiscation of wealth in occupied territory is to be in a stronger economic position than any other country at the end of the war. Germany proposes the conomic destruction of all countries. Shall or shall not the world be the vassal of Berlin? That is the question.

Wisdom and understanding should guide the policy of the United States, secause in the words of Pres dent Wilcome," and this glorious land of ours must be preserved for progress and civilization. In cheerfully helping others to the limit let us he come? to the limit let us be careful to build at the same time. Avoid the trap Berlin she died. has set, the economic vortex into which Germany wants to plunge the United

President Wilson has the correct idea in the proposal of legislation to help the export trade-in other words, keep our industries going, because they will be of revenue, and revenue commands the sinews of war. In an em-pire of 3,500,000 square miles, over ountains and stretching from ocean to ocean, like the United States, national unity and strength depend upon the a programme dated October, 1848, as contentment of the people, which is verification of this. made more secure when industry is enouraged and developed. We ought to trackage and equipment, and keep our lighways in good condition to meet the it was produ transportation is particularly vital to us at this time, especially with our large centres of population and great

From time immemorial there has always been a quarrel between the buyer and the seller as to price, and the strength and prestige of the Governmen night be weakened if the attempt shoul se made to regulate the price of labor day of the task imposed on it. All its rel would not then be between the and supplies in detail, because the quarbuyer and the seller, but between the cared for without price or hope of re- Government and the huyer, the Govern and the seller and the Governmen and labor. The quarrel would create another situation that Berlin would like

> The high level of prices in this country is mainly due to the large stock of waste of the war and to the shortage f supplies, cattle, crops and labor resulting from the war. Government regulation cannot change that situation except to stop excessive profits.

work their course and cannot be actually diverted by legislative flat. The American people have got to be patient with this situation—remember our lives are almost heavenly as compared with the Andre Cheradame, the French writer

of whom previous mention was made, ssue for the campaign of 1918, but we says that it was the plan of Germany think the voters will have other and to split Russia into various small and impotent republics, so that she would be harmless to Germany's future ambition. That also is Germany's policy with respect to the United States. She civil war. wants to give Texas and Arizona to Mexico and keep some for herself. President Wilson in his message to Congress again warns us on this subject when he says, speaking of the Pan-German Powers: "Their sinister and secret diplomacy has sought to take our very territory away from us and disrupt the Union of the States." That is Germany's plan and motive, and knowing that to be so it ought to draw us close ogether to defend and preserve this country of ours the land of opportu-

nity, generosity and freedom. the economic vortex into which she would like to plunge the United States to weaken its efficiency and destroy its military strength.

CHARLES STEWART SMINCE. PLAINFIELD, N. J., December 15.

Overheard in the Post Office. The Thrift Stamp-I'm winning the wa The Postage Stamp-Tou needn't be so tuck up-I'm winning it too. The Bookkeeper and the Book

added the figures all day long While over the deak I bent. Year in, year out, in an endless throng. They drearly came and went. And high ambitions and dreams we

Was merely more books to keep.

The drudgery done and through, And I signed my name with Uncle Sam As one of his fighting crew. The boss, as a patriotic man. Decided what he should do "I'm keeping your job for you." Now under the wide free sky I live

At grips with both life and death. Is hot with the cannon's breath. Whether it's Blighty or Flanders' crees.
The work is a man's work true.
And this is the word I send the bees! "I'm keeping your jab for you." McLanpausen Wilson

BASEBALL SOLDIERS. Major League Players Are Getting in the Service.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: From of Germany is the destruction of time to time THE SUR has printed let-Government of law and liberty, tere from correspondents relative to the would be the death knell of hope apparent lack of patriotism among major league ball players, this being shown in their failure to enlist in some branch of the national service. Attention was called to the fact that young The South American republics were not procrastinating, but, were enlisting

were guilty of procrastination, but if so, dren it is our duty to save, to sacrifice players are as eager as anybody else to

that Ray Fisher, the dean of the New York Americans' pitching staff, has enlisted, that Al Baird and John Paul Jones, two of the Giants' rookies, have also gone into service, and the White Sox, will not perform on the templates enlisting in some branch of stay of Colonel Ebbets's hurling staff. has announced his enlistment.

A RECORD OF OLD TIMERS. And Confirmation of Admission Prices to Charley White's.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SE roads within her boundaries so that she ous letters that have appeared in your columns the last few weeks pertain to old New York, chiefly, I suppose, because I'm not an old New Yorker myof news.

To the gentleman that thinks Dave Conroy is out of the game I must say he is mistaken. I saw Dave rehearsthat any of the younger members of the company had anything on this youthful old timer.

To the gentleman who heard that Kitty O'Neil recently appeared on the Bowery I regret to say that he has been misinformed. That talented young woman died just twenty-five years ago this coming April, scarcely more than a The gentleman that said

Marks (R. M. Carroll) was still living is also in error. Mr. Carroll died about a year ago in his eighty-fifth year. To the gentleman that inquired about St. George Hussey, known years ago in England as the "female Irishman." 1

can say that that lady died in Detroit. October 9, 1910. Mr. Handy is correct in stating the prices of admission to Charley White's to have been 614 and 1214 cents. I have

I have made a special study of "Dixle" the last few years. strengthen our railroad system, its Handy's statement that he heard Dan Emmett sing it at the Meledeon before ced at Bryant's is news t asues of the war. Open and quick me. If Mr. Handy has any documentary evidence in support of this. I should pleased if he would write to me, care of the New York Clipper, 1604 Broadway.

EDWARD LE ROY RICE, Born in the '70s. NEW York, December 15. THREE SAVED, NOT ONE.

Ashere on a Bale of Cotton.

steamer Lexington

for life. In the winter of 1845-46 Captain Hilliard was an inmate of my mother's the run of the mill which the staff writhouse in Norwich, Conn. He was reserved in his manner and never conversed with any one about the accident. was then 7 years old and soon lost

track of him. In the winter of 1855-56 I drove a We are in the market for the best work team from New London to Westerly.
On account of a heavy snowstorm I Mr. Wheless says he believes there stopped overnight at the Hoxie House, are now only two classes of screen sto-Mystle, Conn. Cowley's father-in-law riex: the triangle and the case of miswas the proprietor, and he showed me taken identity. Without cumbering this the bale of cotton that saved Cowley. letter with a list of pictures released

In the middle '70s Cowley was ex-New York on the Norwich Line, of which was one of the pursers. He disliked to talk of the Lexington affair, but would reply to questions when asked Late in life he was employed by the

As to the fate of the other man I can't say ; I never met him. JOHN E. WOODWARD. New LORDON, Conn., December 15.

THE LAY OF THE LESS.

With a Concluding Warning to One Who Seeks Ever the More. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: NOW

broken into verse over the lessless-

ness of human things, I am emboldened

present the following under the title "Less Days": All Mondays shall be meatless days When fishes shall us nourish: And Tuesdays shall be wheatless days

Let Wednesdays be heatless days When we may sit and shiver; On Thursdays we'll have feetless days And ride round in a fliver.

All Fridays shall be sweetless days, No sugar on the table; Sad Saturdays be eatless days To bant as we are able.

And let the Kaiser foot the bill!

Meantime, Wilhelm, eat on while the rorld does without; drink of the world's blood ; be merry over the world's travail yet take care when the Allies get to Berlin that another kind of feast be not spread, with thee for pièce de résistance and ravening wolves for feasters.

SCHOHARIE COUNTY, December 16. An Arkanese Puzzle. From the MeRes Progress

THE FEELING OF HUNGARIANS TO WHOM AMERICA MEANS LIBERTY.

Magyar Weekly Beviews the Attitude It Has Consistently Maintained. That the German Government Is the Worst Foe of the Magyar Raca

From the American-Hungarian Observer (Amerikal Figyelo) of Chicago. war on Austria-Hungary: Our adopted want a German peace; we want an

The United States has declared, country on the land of our birth. The Amerikai Figyelo, in its issue of No-vember 3, faced this unavoidable issue which is now a reality with the fol-

"With manly tenacity and sober adgment will we face the unavoidable If we let reason lead us and will follow a sober course the American-Hungarian war will not bring trials with itself. Never forget the fact, never let your attention drift away from fact that this land does not fight the Hungarian people, neither does she fight the German people; she fights only the system of their Government. Collins, the peerless second baseman of that system which drove both the Hungarian and German people into the most hideous war, in the most ter "Last, let us not forget that the vic

> tory of the system that drove Hungary into this fray will mean the passing away of everything that's Hungarian: as a state, our sacred Hungarian tongue. It will mean the slow but sure disappearance of this dearly ap-preciated tongue and our national haracter; all would be lost in the German state ideals, while the victory of America, the victory of the conceptions which made America, would give life to the Hungary which would be free, independent; it would give life to the Hungary of the Hungarian national democracy."

In the November 17 issue the Amerthat Flowelo dealt in its leading article with the President's Buffalo speech We cited the truthfulness of the picture which the President painted about the "Mitteleuropa" that German peace would bring about. Then we said:

there any one among you who seriously believes that our fatherland fights and yearns for that future. Hungarian Americans, there is no suc Magyar in all the world who would want to be absorbed by Germany, who wished to become a German, would change a hue of his poorish but very precious Hungarian character for all the treasures the German sword could offer: to exchange it for German welfare, the German comfort, for Gerblood money. Every Hungarian, even the last one, wants to live and die as ceaselessly that the declaration of war a Hungarian. The ninety million German ocean would absorb the nineteer million Magyars. The human ocean great country. And then let us say it that would be dominant from Hamburg to the banks of the Tigris and Hungarian Americans will never bethe delta of the Euphrates would wave through the land of our birth garian blood made true Americans of

"Hungarian Americans, we don't American peace, because the American

peace will be Hungarian peace too; ! will mean the birth of eternal liberty." Only one more citation. We wan to repeat what we wrote in our issue of November 24, that American Hungarians cannot be neutral because of same reason they strongly trust that American peace will come, as that will mean Hungarian liberty. We said:

"The time has arrived when we show our color. We have to demon that we are not neutral in the conflict of our mother and adopted country We Hungarians of America swore allegiance to the Stars and Stripes and to he tenets of democracy. This oath of ours is one of the many criterions that we are Americans. This holy vow and our spiritual union with America give us the strong belief in those loft; weels which will be the logical result of an American peace by victory, that will insure a far reaching and benefit cial result not only for mankind, for every free man or nation, but in a democratic, independent Hungary

alike." These sentiments paint the picture of our thoughts with true, strong lines; and we repeat with conviction, we proudly asseverate that all true descendants of Hungary, may they be citizens or not, feel the same way, think the same way regarding the war of their adopted country and mother country. Hungarian Americana, let us ace the facts with courage and with

manly tenacity. We must hold meetings all over the United States. Decisions of these meetings should reverberate all over to our adopted country that the American Hungarians doubly believe in the truths of America and doubly strive to help to achieve them because they are Americans and because they are or Hungarian descent. Let us proclain it with manly courage and strong our viction that the war just declared interprete also our aims, interprets also that of any American, and it brough happiness, proffered to us as the fulfilment of our hopes much nearer. Let us ejaculate it, herald it became more faithful citizens of this say it always, everywhere, that the come enemy allens, because the Hun-

WHY MOVIE STARS ARE.

The Public Must See Itself Heroic, Picture Director Says. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: MI

Wheless amerts that all moving picture stories must give prominence to a star male or female, preferably female. The so-called "star system" is but a reflex of public taste. When the time comes, as some day it may in pictures, as it has in certain types of literary composition, when we can have a heroless story, a tale wherein one personality does not stand out head and shoulders To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: With above the other characters around whose all due respect to Mr. MacPherson and personalities the leading figure revolves. was not the only survivor of the ill fated out a star. But the hero is too popular to die in any form of art. We like to David Cowley, the mate, and one man imagine him-or her-a replica of our (name forgotten) floated ashore on the own characteristics under differing cir-Long Island side on a bale of cotton cumstances. The public must have the ward. There are many pictures tre try is mainly due to the large stock of about daylight the morning after the personality individualized, whether it be gold and its extended credit, to the disaster, and were discovered by a man in short story, novel, stage play or moliving near and taken to his home. Mr. tion picture, and there is no gainsaying Cowley's feet were badly frozen but the public taste in this regard, because

were saved, although he was crippled it is based on fundamentals of human psychology. Again Mr. Wheless: "Programme is Here the writer is unfamiliar with the methods of the leading producing companies. Our company, for example, has no staff writers, nor any programme

> mint." "Bab's Diary," "The Silent Man." home comforts; some of which, also they are not receiving.
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> "Lost in Transit." "The Hired Man." My son has been in France since July "Broadway Jones," "Hashimura Togo," "The Amazons," "Seven Keys to Bald-

Certain other of Mr. Wheless's criticisms are almost too haphazard to de- ceived man only once. mand an answer. "How would Caruso look in a screen version of Pagliacci?" minus his wonderful voice? "What sort of a screen play would any of Bernard how auxious I am, has been writting me very good, but would the public go to comes of all this mail that sees he that THE SUN'S letter writers have see them any more than they go to and forth and never reaches its desticasee his stage plays? "How could John tion? It doesn't all go down in forme Drew be a success as a screen actor?" doed vessels.

Very easily. "Has 'Robin Hood' or 1 can worry along with little m screen" Have they been attempted as to believe that "no news is good news stage plays minus their enchanting mel- but I can't bear to think of those be merely for the story as it may be de- news from home and getting nothing ploted on the screen?" Who cares, un- To help matters along, a kind friend fortunately, for Shakespeare merely for told me that boxes containing perthe story as it may be depleted on the ables and the like are being dumped stage?

But all this is far beside the point If Mr. Wheleas's thesis is to the effect that there is no progress in motion pictures, I believe he is very wrong. he bases his belief on the assumption' that few persons know how to write for the screen, may I say this:

The foremost reason for the average scenario writer's lack of success in his work is because of a certain lack of understanding as to what is meant by "dramatic situation" in a film story. Violent physical action is not necessarily a logical, lifelike, dramatic picture.

Action is the life germ of the picture nent, suspense is the life stimulant, and ultimate justification is the life joy. Carl Price was seen carrying out a cook Drama is made up of some struggle or unfortunate children in place Saturday evening. We wender what other, either between two inanimate I have plenty of room. Drama to made up of some struggle or unfortunate children in my home, where

tween two representatives of charge teristics, or between two fundamental the struggle is at its height the suspense is at its height. When one force or the other is winning the denouement is at hand, and when the struggle is

won the ultimate justification shine forth in all its life joy. lack real application and study of the too they fall to try to find out the ever There is always a reason. The public is not all non compos mentis. clam with the never failing thought of "How much beter I could do it writers would only spend more time nding out what has made a curren picture marketable instead of how the could improve on it, the art would be

tremendously elevated. Screen art is looking forward and up mendously banal. But there are many more that have back of them ever broad ening ideals of the artists behind them -ideals that cannot fall to merit appreciation from those who demand o stantly and unmistakably, better and

better motion pictures. JESSE L. LASEY. New York, December 18.

FROM A WORRIED MOTHER To Her Troubles a German Made Lie Has Just Been Added.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SWI know you are about pentered to death with letters about the delay in the mail to and from the soldiers now in France Mrs. Cowley was present. The cotton in the last three months, none of which but doesn't it seem a pity? These boy was sold at a high price during the contains any angle of the "triangle" or have gone over there to risk their trees. have gone over there to rick their lives the mistaken identity story, I refer for us who stay at home, and the only merely to such plays as "Tom Sawyer," thing we can do for them is keep them supplied with cheery letters and a few

My son has been in France since July and although every day of every since he left there has been a letter pate," "Bab's Burglar," "The Seven two mailed to him, to say nothing the bares of all blacks." boxes of all kinds, he writes me that has heard from home or in fact has re-

I receive a letter about every three How would be look in a stage version, come he expresses the hope that I am receiving all his letters, as he, knowled Shaw's plays make?" Many of them regularly. In heaven's name, what he

been attempted on the from my son, for I have schooled my "Who cares for Shakespeare over there, homesick and hungry " the bay to avoid congestion. Of rour I don't believe that, and it is probe more German propaganda, but why san

we hear the real reason? EAST ORANGE, N. J. December 15

A Home for a Hallfax Orphan To THE EDITOR OF THE ST rectly after the explosion at 11 paragraph in reference to the of children who have been sler-"Thrill stunts" do not make their parents by this explosion Can any of your readers give the formation as to whom I should walls story; heart interest is the life nourish- in order to obtain full information to gard to this matter? It might be to ble for me to take care of one of the

forces, between two characteristics, be- New York, December 16,